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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office letter of November 7, 2003, and before examination, please amend the continuation application as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

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Amend claim 6 to read as follows:--

6 (amended). A mill saw comprising

- (a) a saw frame comprising parallel saw blades cutting only in a stroke direction,
- (b) a slider-crank drive imparting cutting strokes to the saw frame at a given frequency,
- (c) a feed conveyor for feeding stock to be cut by the saw blades in a feed direction,
 - (1) the saw blades being cantilevered in the feed direction, and